

A RESOLUTION**BY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR, TO ACCEPT, AND TO EXECUTE ALL GRANT AGREEMENTS OFFERED TO THE CITY OF ATLANTA BY THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA) FOR PROJECTS AT HARTSFIELD ATLANTA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT DURING THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR, OCTOBER 1, 2005, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2006 SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF MATCHING FUNDS IN THE AIRPORT BUDGET; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta (the "City"), as owner and operator of the Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, receives offers of grants-in-aid from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for various projects at the Airport that are eligible for federal aid under applicable Federal Aviation Regulations governing the national Airport Improvement Program, from time to time, during the federal fiscal year, on an 80/20 or a 75/25 or other matching fund basis; and

WHEREAS, the timing and the amount of the various Grant offers from the FAA are determined by the availability of funding from Congressional appropriations and the ability of other airports around the nation to obtain matching funds and undertake eligible projects, with the result that offers are accompanied by short deadlines for acceptance and execution and failure to meet the deadlines means the opportunity to obtain such funding will be lost; and

WHEREAS, it is mandatory that all available funding from FAA Grants be obtained in order for the City to accomplish the 5th Runway Project, the high priority Master Plan projects, on-going Airport Noise Mitigation Program, and other vital airport expansion and renewal projects necessary to meet the growing demand for air travel to and from Atlanta now and in the future; and

WHEREAS, it is prudent, therefore, to provide for Grant funds to be applied for, and Grant offers from the FAA to be accepted, and Grant Agreements to be executed, in a timely manner to assure that the deadlines imposed by the FAA will be met, and that no opportunities for funding will be lost, by authorizing appropriate actions by the Mayor during the upcoming federal fiscal year, as hereinafter set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, that the Mayor be and hereby is authorized to apply for, to accept grant offers, and to execute all grant agreements on behalf of the City of Atlanta offered by the FAA during the federal fiscal year October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2006, for all projects, including, but not limited to, projects for construction, planning and noise mitigation at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport which are determined by the FAA to be eligible for federal assistance, subject to the availability of matching funds in the Airport Budget or as otherwise appropriated by the Atlanta City Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Aviation General Manager shall simultaneously provide the Transportation Committee with written notice of all grants the department applies for during the term of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City Attorney be and hereby is directed to prepare each Grant Agreement for execution by the Mayor.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that no Grant Agreement authorized hereunder shall become binding upon the City and the City shall incur no obligation or liability thereunder until the same have been signed by the Mayor and delivered to the FAA.

Legislative White Paper

Committee of Purview: Transportation

Caption:

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Council Meeting Date: 9/19/05

Legislation Title: Resolution

Requesting Dept.: Transportation

Contract Type: N/A

Source Selection: N/A

Bids/Proposals Due: N/A

Invitations Issued: N/A

**Number of Bids/
Proposals Received: N/A**

Bidders/Proponents: N/A

Justification Statement: The FAA requests that the DOA accept grant offers on or before 9/30/06 in order to constitute a legal binding obligation of Grant funds on behalf of the airport; therefore, it is imperative that this legislation be submitted before Council and approved in order to meet any FAA deadline that is imposed.

Background: This action will authorize the Aviation General Manager to file applications for available grant funds from the FAA if, and when funds become available under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP) for eligible projects. Advance authorization for FY 2006 will assure that all steps can be taken to get all the funding possible from the FAA for vital airport projects. Without advance authorization, it might not be possible to get every grant offer executed within the deadline, and some opportunities might be missed. Deadlines are imposed for each grant to enable the FAA

to pass the funds on to others who can execute grants prior to the end of the fiscal year.

Fund Account Center: TBD

Source of Funds: Grant and R&E

Fiscal Impact: None

Term of Contract: N/A

Method of Cost Recovery: N/A

Approvals:

DOF:

DOL:

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